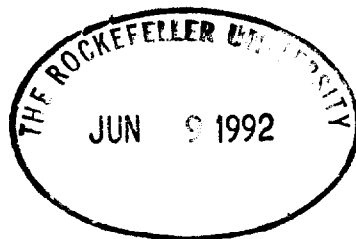


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Dear Professor Lederberg,

I am much honoured by your kind interest in details of my experiments with model populations.

Please find enclosed three draft manuscripts which contain those aspects of the work which might have some relevance for the mating system of *E. coli*. I would be very grateful if you had patience to read them and would evaluate if some material from them could ever be put in a publishable form.

Nevertheless, it is emphasized that these writings in their present form are not edited, there are many overlaps between them, literature references are made on a haphazard manner, discussions are sketchy. Even though, I think it is well documented how selected samples exhibit peculiar behaviour in the genetic analysis. Thus, methodology and not genetics is dealt here with, but the consequences seem to be more far reaching than one is willing to accept it at a first sight.

Should my opinion be valid then real experiments could be designed to clarify some of the issues raised in your letter. Naturally, I would be more than happy to participate in those studies should you judge it appropriate to do.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Lajos". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Lajos Alföldi